

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-18. (Canceled).

19. (Currently Amended) A method of controlling an avatar at a called party, the method comprising:

displaying the avatar at the called party, the avatar including a plurality of joints;

receiving a signal for controlling the avatar, wherein the received signal is transmitted from a mobile phone to the called party, the received signal corresponding to one of the joints of the avatar; and

controlling at least one joint of the displayed avatar in accordance with the received signal.

20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 19, wherein the avatar is transmitted from the mobile phone over a network.

21. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 19, wherein the called party comprises a computer.

22. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 19, wherein the called party comprises a mobile phone.

23. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 19, further comprising displaying the avatar on the mobile phone and controlling the displayed avatar equally at the mobile phone and the called party.

24. (Canceled)

25. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 19, wherein the signal comprises an identifier number for identifying the avatar being controlled.

26. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 25, wherein the identifier number has at least one cipher.

27. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 19, wherein the signal is transmitted via a wired network.

28. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 19, wherein the signal is transmitted via a wireless network.

29. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 28, wherein the wireless network comprises at least one of IrDA, Bluetooth, wireless LAN, RS-232, and USB.

30. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising:
a receiver, at a called party, for receiving signals for controlling an avatar having a plurality of joints, wherein the signals are transmitted from a mobile phone;
a display for displaying the avatar; and
a controller for controlling different states of the displayed avatar in accordance with the received signals, wherein the controller controls the different states by controlling the joints of the avatar.

31. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 30, wherein the avatar is transmitted from the mobile phone over a network.

32. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 30, wherein the called party comprises a computer.

33. (Canceled)

34. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 30, wherein the called party comprises a mobile phone.

35. (Canceled)

36. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 30, wherein the signal comprises an identifier number for identifying the avatar being controlled.

37. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 36, wherein the identifier number has at least one cipher.

38. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 30, wherein the signal is transmitted via a wired network.

39. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 30, wherein the signal is transmitted via a wireless network.

40. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 39, wherein the wireless network comprises at least one of IrDA, Bluetooth, wireless LAN, RS-232, and USB.

41. (Currently Amended) A method of controlling an avatar displayed at a called party using a mobile phone, the method comprising:

displaying the avatar on the mobile phone, wherein the avatar has a plurality of joints;

generating a signal for controlling at least one joint of the avatar displayed at the called party and displayed on the mobile phone; and

transmitting the signal to the called party via a network.

42. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 41, further comprising changing a communication mode to a control mode.

43. (Canceled)

44. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 41, wherein the called party comprises a computer.

45. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 41, wherein the called party comprises a mobile phone.

46. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 41, wherein the avatar is displayed ~~in a similar manner~~ equally at the mobile phone and at the called party.

47. (Canceled)

48. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 41, wherein the signal comprises an identifier number for identifying the avatar being controlled.

49. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 48, wherein the identifier number has at least one cipher.

50. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 41, wherein the signal is transmitted via a wired network.

51. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 41, wherein the signal is transmitted via a wireless network.

52. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 51, wherein the wireless network comprises at least one of IrDA, Bluetooth, wireless LAN, RS-232, and USB.

53. (Currently Amended) A mobile phone for controlling an avatar displayed at a called party, the mobile phone comprising:

a display for displaying the avatar at the mobile phone;

a controller for generating a signal for controlling the avatar displayed at the called party and the controller for controlling the avatar displayed at the mobile phone by changing a specific joint of the avatar; and

a transmitter for transmitting the signal from the mobile phone to the called party via a network.

54. (Canceled)

55. (Previously Presented) The mobile phone of claim 53, wherein the called party comprises a computer.

56. (Previously Presented) The mobile phone of claim 53, wherein the called party comprises a mobile phone.

57. (Currently Amended) The mobile phone of claim 53, wherein the avatar is displayed ~~in a similar manner~~ equally at the mobile phone and at the called party.

58. (Canceled)

59. (Previously Presented) The mobile phone of claim 53, wherein the signal comprises an identifier number for identifying the avatar being controlled.

60. (Previously Presented) The mobile phone of claim 59, wherein the identifier number has at least one cipher.

61. (Previously Presented) The mobile phone of claim 53, wherein the transmitter transmits the signal to the called party via a wired network.

62. (Previously Presented) The mobile phone of claim 53, wherein the transmitter transmits the signal to the called party via a wireless network.

63. (Previously Presented) The mobile phone of claim 62, wherein the wireless network comprises at least one of IrDA, Bluetooth, wireless LAN, RS-232, and USB.

64. (Currently Amended) A communication system comprising:

a mobile phone for generating signals for controlling joints of an avatar and transmitting the generated signals;

a called party for receiving the signals transmitted from the mobile phone and displaying the avatar in a plurality of different states based on the received signals, wherein each of the states includes a different arrangement of the joints of the avatar; and

a network configured to connect the mobile phone to the called party.

65. (Currently Amended) A method of controlling an avatar, the method comprising:

generating signals to control the avatar at a mobile phone, wherein the avatar includes a plurality of joints and the generated signals are related to a different joint of the avatar;

transmitting the signals via a network;

receiving the signals at a called party; and

displaying the avatar in different representations at the called party based on the received signals, wherein each of the representations includes a different arrangement of the joints of the avatar.

66. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 65, further comprising displaying the avatar in different representatives at the mobile phone.

67. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 19, wherein the received signal corresponds to a key input from the mobile phone.

68. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, wherein controlling at least one joint of the displayed avatar includes controlling an expression of the displayed avatar.

69. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, wherein controlling at least one joint of the displayed avatar includes controlling actions of the displayed avatar.

70. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, further comprising:
receiving another signal from the mobile phone, the received another signal corresponding to another one of the joints of the avatar; and
controlling the another joint of the displayed avatar based on the received another signal.

71. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 30, wherein the received signals correspond to ~~key~~-inputs from the mobile phone.

72. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 30, wherein the controller controls an expression of the displayed avatar in accordance with the received signals and by controlling at least one joint of the avatar.

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73. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 30, wherein the controller controls actions of the displayed avatar in accordance with the received signal and by controlling at least one joint of the avatar.

74. (Canceled)

75. (Currently Amended) A method of controlling an avatar at a called party, the method comprising:

receiving a signal for controlling the avatar, wherein the received signal is transmitted from a mobile phone to the called party; and

displaying the avatar controlled in accordance with the received signal at the called party,

wherein the avatar being controlled at the called party is the same as in the mobile phone, wherein the avatar of the mobile phone is equally controlled and displayed corresponding to an input signal generated by a user of the mobile phone.

76. (Currently Amended) A method of controlling an avatar at a called party, the method comprising:

receiving a signal for controlling the avatar, wherein the received signal is transmitted from a mobile phone to the called party;

controlling the avatar in accordance with the received signal; and

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displaying the controlled avatar at the called party,

wherein the avatar being controlled at the called party is the same as in the mobile phone, wherein the avatar of the mobile phone is equally controlled and displayed corresponding to an input signal generated by a user of the mobile phone.

77. (Currently Amended) A method of controlling an avatar stored in a called party using a mobile phone, the method comprising:

selecting the avatar being controlled using the mobile phone;

generating a signal for controlling the selected avatar; and

transmitting the signal to the called party via a network,

wherein the avatar being controlled at the called party is the same as in the mobile phone, wherein the avatar of the mobile phone is controlled and displayed corresponding to the generated signal.

78. (Currently Amended) A method of controlling an avatar stored in a called party using a mobile phone, the method comprising:

selecting the avatar being controlled using the mobile phone;

displaying the selected avatar on the mobile phone;

generating a signal for controlling the displayed avatar; and

transmitting the signal to control the displayed avatar to the called party via a network,

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wherein the avatar being controlled at the called party is the same as in the mobile phone, wherein the avatar of the mobile phone is equally controlled and displayed corresponding to the generated signal.

79. (New) The apparatus of claim 30, wherein the avatar being controlled at the called party is the same as in the mobile phone.

80. (New) The communication system of claim 64, wherein the avatar being controlled at the called party is the same as in the mobile phone.

81. (New) The communication system of claim 65, wherein the avatar being controlled at the called party is the same as in the mobile phone.